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RE: Docket #98-N-1038, "Irradiation in the Production, Processing, and Handling of Food"

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

As a nutrition educator and physician, I feel it is important that labeling of irradiated foods should continue as consumers should have a choice. The label should be large and visible on the front of the package and should contain information as to whether or not irradiated and can also include organic or other processing methods.

Please give this serious consideration.

Sincerely,

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